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SUBJECT:REPLY TO FOREIGN MINISTER MOLAPO'S MESSAGE ON MY  
MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER

REF: MASERU 639

1. POST INSTRUCTED TO DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM  
SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER MOLAPO IN REPLY TO HIS  
MESSAGE IN REFTEL.
2. QUOTE DEAR MR. MINISTER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
YOUR MESSAGE REGARDING MY RECENT MEETING WITH PRIME MINIS-  
TER VORSTER OF SOUTH AFRICA. I FOUND YOUR THOUGHTS ON  
DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND YOUR EXPERIENCE FROM  
PREVIOUS CONTACT WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER VERY USE-  
FUL IN PREPARATION FOR MY TALKS WITH HIM.  
MY MEETING WITH MR. VORSTER SHOULD BE SEEN WITHIN THE  
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FRAMEWORK OF OBJECTIVES WE SHARE WITH MOST AFRICAN STATES -

A PEACEFUL EVOLUTION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, PREVENTION OF OUTSIDE INTERVENTION, AND ACHIEVEMENT OF MAJORITY RULE AND PROTECTION OF MINORITY RIGHTS. THE AFRICAN LEADERS I MET DURING MY RECENT TRIP TO AFRICA ENDORSED THE IDEA OF SUCH A MEETING.

MY MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER WAS EXPLORATORY IN

NATURE, TO SEE HOW SOUTH AFRICA COULD CONTRIBUTE TO A MODERATE AND PEACEFUL EVOLUTION OF EVENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. I EMPHASIZED THAT THE MEETING COULD NOT BE VIEWED AS SUPPORT FOR THE SYSTEM OF APARTHEID OR FOR THE ACTIONS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT.

NO CONCRETE RESULTS WERE EXPECTED OR ACHIEVED BUT WE WILL PURSUE OUR EFFORTS TO REALIZE THE AIMS WHICH WE SHARE WITH AFRICAN STATES IN THE RESOLUTION OF THE MOST ACUTE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. I CLEARLY STATED OUR VIEWS ON THESE ISSUES TO PRIME MINISTER VORSTER.

I SINCERELY APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA AND WOULD WELCOME YOUR THOUGHTS AT ANY TIME.

BEST REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER.  
(INSIDE ADDRESS) HIS EXCELLENCY CHARLES DUBE MOLAPO,  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF LESOTHO, MASERU. UNQUOTE.

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